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POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS : VICTORIA

Period	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase (a)	Net Migration (b)	Population	
						Whole State (c)	Metro-politan(d)
1950-51	20,814	50,295	22,436	27,859	40,638	2,276,575	1,302,200
1951-52	20,747	51,757	24,039	27,718	40,198	2,344,491	1,330,800
1952-53	19,302	54,108	22,514	31,594	19,169	2,395,254	1,359,100
1953-54	19,567	53,910	23,054	30,856	26,231	2,452,341	1,388,800
1954-55	19,454	55,497	22,407	33,090	37,587	2,523,018	1,544,500
1955-56	20,378	57,627	22,657	34,970	47,100	2,605,088	1,595,300
1956-57	19,889	59,185	24,355	34,830	33,580	2,673,498	1,677,100
1957-58	21,034	60,136	23,831	36,305	31,594	2,741,397	1,726,100
1958-59	20,293	62,799	25,107	37,692	35,434	2,814,523	1,777,700
1959-60	20,804	62,518	24,400	38,030	39,195	2,891,748	n.a.
1956 -							
June Qr.	4,825	14,268	5,770	8,498	7,771	2,605,088	n.a.
Sept. Qr.	4,368	14,579	7,340	7,239	12,249	2,624,576	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,584	14,789	5,909	8,880	- 833	2,632,623	1,649,000
1957 -							
Mar. Qr.	4,754	15,273	5,378	9,895	17,265	2,659,783	n.a.
June Qr.	5,183	14,544	5,728	8,816	4,899	2,673,498	1,677,100
Sept. Qr.	4,376	14,958	7,157	7,801	9,817	2,691,116	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,926	15,689	5,868	9,821	- 302	2,700,635	n.a.
1958 -							
Mar. Qr.	5,146	15,187	4,949	10,238	15,544	2,726,417	n.a.
June Qr.	5,586	14,302	5,857	8,445	6,535	2,741,397	1,726,100
Sept. Qr.	4,028	15,968	7,019	8,949	5,507	2,755,853	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,889	15,812	5,800	10,012	5,054	2,770,919	n.a.
1959 -							
Mar. Qr.	5,312	14,715	5,609	9,106	16,934	2,796,959	n.a.
June Qr.	5,064	16,304	6,679	9,625	7,939	2,814,523	1,777,700
Sept. Qr.	4,246	15,465	6,860	8,605	6,884	2,830,012	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,834	15,761	5,930	9,831	3,060	2,842,903	n.a.
1960 -							
Mar. Qr.	5,277	15,229	5,584	9,645	22,812	2,875,360	n.a.
June Qr.	5,447	16,063	6,114	9,949	6,439	2,891,748	n.a.

(a) Excess of Births over Deaths.

(b) Excess of interstate and oversea arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea, and air and certain special movements by road.

(c) As at end of each period. For each date subsequent to the census of 30th June, 1954, the estimated population represents the population ascertained at the census plus natural increase and net migration since that date. As complete records of interstate migration are not available the estimated population so derived is subject to revision at the next census.

(d) At middle of each period to 1955-56 and as at end of each period thereafter.

n.a. : Not available.

NOTE : Population increase of the State is the sum of natural increase and net migration.

(Excluding Rural Workers, Female Private Domestics, and Defence Forces)
('000)

Month	Total Employees			Total Employees in Main Industrial Groups				
	Government (a)	Private Employ- ers	Total	Fac- tories	Building and Con- struction	Trans- port and Comm- unic- ation	Commerce and Finance	Pro- fessional and Personal Services (b)
<u>MALES</u>								
1956-June	160.0	423.2	583.2	246.2	53.6	72.1	99.5	53.7
1957-June	162.7	423.3	586.0	245.8	50.6	74.9	100.5	56.1
1958-June	166.1	426.8	592.9	248.1	50.8	74.9	103.2	57.0
1959 -								
June	169.3	434.1	603.4	254.1	50.7	75.9	105.0	58.6
July	169.6	434.1	603.7	254.2	50.5	76.2	104.8	59.0
Aug.	169.1	434.7	603.8	255.1	49.8	76.2	104.8	58.8
1960 -								
June	168.7	451.7	620.4	265.1	50.5	75.3	108.9	61.2
July	168.2	452.5	620.7	265.7	50.6	75.6	108.2	61.3
Aug.	167.7	453.8	621.5	266.3	50.3	75.5	108.8	61.4
<u>FEMALES</u>								
1956-June	41.7	196.8	238.5	94.9	1.3	11.6	58.0	63.1
1957-June	42.1	198.3	240.4	94.3	1.4	11.4	58.1	65.2
1958-June	43.1	201.4	244.5	94.7	1.5	11.3	60.7	66.3
1959 -								
June	45.2	207.6	252.8	97.6	1.5	11.6	62.2	69.5
July	45.3	207.7	253.0	97.3	1.5	11.7	62.2	69.7
Aug.	45.1	208.3	253.4	98.1	1.5	11.7	62.0	69.5
1960 -								
June	46.6	219.7	266.3	104.3	1.7	11.9	65.7	72.3
July	46.6	220.2	266.8	104.5	1.7	11.8	66.0	72.1
Aug.	46.5	220.1	266.6	104.8	1.7	11.9	65.6	72.0
<u>PERSONS</u>								
1956-June	201.7	620.0	821.7	341.1	54.9	83.7	157.5	116.8
1957-June	204.8	621.6	826.4	340.1	52.0	86.3	158.6	121.3
1958-June	209.2	628.2	837.4	342.8	52.3	86.2	163.9	123.3
1959 -								
June	214.5	641.7	856.2	351.7	52.2	87.5	167.2	128.1
July	214.9	641.8	856.7	351.5	52.0	87.9	167.0	128.7
Aug.	214.2	643.0	857.2	353.2	51.3	87.9	166.8	128.3
1960 -								
June	215.3	671.4	886.7	369.4	52.2	87.2	174.6	133.5
July	214.8	672.7	887.5	370.2	52.3	87.4	174.2	133.4
Aug.	214.2	673.9	888.1	371.1	52.0	87.4	174.4	133.4

(a) Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

(b) Includes education, health, hotels, and restaurants.

r : Revised.

BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES : MELBOURNE

Month of Change	Under Commonwealth Awards	Under Determinations of State Wages Boards
	£. s. d	£. s. d
1950 - May	6.17. 0	6.17. 0
November	7. 3. 0	7. 3. 0
December	8. 2. 0 (a)	8. 2. 0 (a)
1951 - May	8.17. 0	8.17. 0
1952 - May	10.12. 0	10.12. 0
1953 - May	11.12. 0	11.12. 0
August	11.15. 0	11.15. 0
November		11.17. 0
1954 - August		11.16. 0
1955 - May		11.17. 0
1956 - May		12.16. 0
June	12. 5. 0 (a)	
August		13. 3. 0
1957 - May	12.15. 0 (a)	
1958 - May	13. 0. 0 (a)	
1959 - June	13.15. 0 (a)	13.15. 0 (a)

(a) Rates declared subsequent to a Commonwealth basic wage enquiry.

Female rates : Since December, 1950, female rates have been 75% of the corresponding male rates; previously they have varied according to the award or determination under which they were payable.

Note : Up to August, 1953, basic wage rates under Wages Board Determinations generally followed those fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration. In September, 1953, automatic quarterly adjustments of the basic wage were discontinued by the Commonwealth Court, but were continued for State Wages Board determinations until August, 1956.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a) : VICTORIA
(£)

Period	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Year
1952-53	15.33	16.58	14.84	16.09	15.71
1953-54	16.42	17.36	15.86	16.93	16.64
1954-55	17.24	18.04	16.73	18.35	17.59
1955-56	18.30	19.26	17.95	19.61	18.78
1956-57	19.44	20.45	18.78	20.12	19.70
1957-58	19.97	21.27	19.14	20.49	20.22
1958-59	20.52	21.85	19.44	20.97	20.69
1959-60	21.72	22.80	21.58	23.24	22.34

(a) Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male earnings.

NOTE : Comparisons of trends should be made for complete years. Quarterly averages are affected by seasonal influences.

MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES (a) : VICTORIA

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End of Month	Rates of Wage (b)				Index Numbers (Base : Australia 1954 = 100)			
	Adult Males		Adult Females		Adult Males		Adult Females	
	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries
			s.	d.				
1955-December	294.8	295.7	204.9	210.5	104.3	104.7	102.8	105.7
1956-December	307.3	309.7	213.6	220.3	108.8	109.6	107.2	110.6
1957-December	314.5	316.0	220.0	225.0	111.3	111.9	110.5	113.0
1958-December	318.1	319.8	222.8	227.6	112.6	113.2	111.8	114.3
1959-December	342.4	343.9	236.11	241.1	121.2	121.7	119.0	121.1
1960 - June	346.10	348.11	239.11	245.9	122.8	123.5	120.5	123.4
July	346.10	349.1	n.a.	n.a.	122.8	123.6	n.a.	n.a.
August	347.3	349.5	n.a.	n.a.	123.0	123.7	n.a.	n.a.

(a) Indexes of weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime) and index numbers of wage rates, as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. The indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of "wages" as distinct from "salaries". Consequently, awards, etc. relating mainly to salary earners are excluded. Rural industries are also excluded.

(b) The money amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money terms.

n.a. : Not available.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Number of Disputes	Workers Involved			Working Days Lost	Estimated Loss in Wages
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
					£'000	
1955-56	50	33,997	1,876	35,873	192,352	643
1956-57	46	20,267	1,015	21,282	20,262	65
1957-58	65	44,791	548	45,249	83,105	287
1958-59	56	15,347	1,172	16,479	42,118	146
1959-60	76	71,686	87	72,493	68,554	255
1959 -						
March Qr.	22	6,810	283	7,093	10,641	39
June Qr.	8	5,376	19	5,395	5,539	23
Sept. Qr.	11	11,396	6	11,402	2,982	10
Dec. Qr.	19	7,552	799	8,351	16,728	60
1960 -						
March Qr.	27	32,093	2	32,095	27,904	103
June Qr.	19	20,645	-	20,645	20,940	82

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppage occurred, but who were not themselves parties to the dispute.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS, AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFITS AND AMOUNTS PAID IN BENEFITS : VICTORIA

Period	Number on Benefit (a)				Amount Paid in Benefits During Period			
	Unemploy- ment	Sickness	Special		Unemploy- ment	Sickness	Special	
			Ordinary	Migrants (b)			Ordinary	Migrants (c)
£								
1950-51	71	1,801	233	—	7,731	197,719	19,586	78,943
1951-52	220	1,621	262	—	11,215	181,117	23,856	22,752
1952-53	6,168	1,732	358	—	923,732	370,354	58,344	82,222
1953-54	2,698	1,987	458	—	507,676	405,414	78,490	48,552
1954-55	538	1,991	544	—	99,305	387,452	80,358	41,845
1955-56	479	1,684	528	—	74,664	345,171	83,878	43,559
1956-57	3,349	1,607	525	—	530,959	339,414	84,630	70,496
1957-58	5,127	1,604	557	—	1,011,800	406,032	106,158	115,576
1958-59	5,743	1,871	627	419	1,224,299	508,980	126,441	60,556
1959-60	4,267	2,071	742	319	935,501	546,165	148,009	54,077
1957 -								
Apr.	3,772	1,473	524	—	40,018	26,653	6,836	6,812
May	4,057	1,546	520	—	48,261	20,485	7,523	10,321
June	5,073	1,545	531	—	70,065	32,676	7,872	15,671
July	5,887	1,519	510	—	55,096	18,280	4,413	18,173
Aug.	5,618	1,570	534	—	93,028	31,658	7,526	8,927
Sept.	5,271	1,655	541	—	81,852	26,663	7,183	11,836
1958 -								
Apr.	5,006	1,534	588	—	83,867	39,989	10,857	5,167
May	5,894	1,723	607	—	101,650	38,580	11,817	5,141
June	6,899	1,861	593	—	103,707	46,800	11,016	2,056
July	7,442	1,909	601	192	128,807	45,236	9,346	4,280
Aug.	7,435	2,029	614	205	137,362	46,039	10,330	3,660
Sept.	6,735	2,009	604	708	112,751	37,411	9,295	822
1959 -								
Apr.	5,136	1,807	636	365	82,917	46,025	14,057	4,850
May	5,643	1,889	683	835	99,287	48,798	13,206	5,600
June	6,013	1,972	716	495	99,058	44,305	10,280	10,319
July	6,339	2,011	703	452	127,119	54,753	16,274	7,777
Aug.	6,012	2,099	725	418	102,991	41,913	11,666	11,174
Sept.	5,281	2,127	730	167	104,224	46,351	14,040	1,055
1960 -								
Apr.	3,588	2,017	769	631	56,331	43,588	11,412	4,672
May	3,768	2,018	746	73	59,053	43,266	11,659	8,254
June	3,676	2,082	754	39	60,372	38,073	8,028	2,287
July	3,531	2,097	782	71	71,588	48,723	13,723	2,428
Aug.	3,052	2,233	797	117	55,712	40,692	10,808	3,425
Sept.	2,584	2,156	809	52	53,586	53,968	14,206	2,135

(a) Average of monthly figures for financial years and thereafter on benefit on last Saturday of month.

(b) Not available prior to July, 1958.

(c) In reception and training centres.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : MELBOURNE
(Base of Each Group : Year 1952-53 = 100)

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Period	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Miscellaneous	All Groups
1953-54	104.4	100.6	102.9	101.2	99.9	102.0
1954-55	103.9	101.2	105.4	100.6	99.7	102.0
1955-56	112.2	102.8	113.8	101.6	108.3	108.1
1956-57	117.8	104.9	122.8	105.2	117.8	114.0
1957-58	114.3	108.4	127.3	106.2	118.8	114.4
1958-59	116.1	109.6	129.4	109.2	122.2	116.6
1959-60	120.8	110.7	135.8	110.9	125.5	120.0
1959 -						
June Qr.	118.5	109.3	130.9	109.8	123.5	117.9
Sept. Qr.	118.8	109.7	131.5	110.2	123.6	118.2
Dec. Qr.	119.2	110.6	133.0	110.4	124.1	118.8
1960 -						
March Qr.	120.8	110.9	134.3	110.9	125.3	119.8
June Qr.	124.2	111.6	144.3	111.9	128.9	123.0
Sept. Qr.	129.1	111.9	147.2	112.3	128.9	124.9

CONSUMPTION OF MAIN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS : VICTORIA (a)
('000 gallons)

Period	Aviation Gasoline	Motor Spirit (b)	Aviation Turbine Fuel	Lighting Kerosine	Power Kerosine	Diesel Oil (c)		Furnace Oil (d)
						Auto-motive	Indus-trial	
1955-56	8,605	278,405	3,910	14,877	20,357	30,951	47,494	104,664
1956-57	8,557	292,862	6,045	13,753	18,614	37,849	47,030	132,171
1957-58	7,571	312,775	6,778	14,411	18,765	41,719	47,502	135,853
1958-59	6,513	336,485	8,297	15,301	18,721	45,341	51,297	133,079
1959-60	4,369	366,210	17,322	16,078	16,909	49,950	53,348	140,735
1959 -								
Mar.	552	29,653	692	968	1,957	4,151	3,996	11,357
Apr.	482	29,152	896	1,078	1,991	4,290	4,331	8,673
May	430	27,054	921	1,423	1,540	3,911	4,324	15,676
June	384	29,574	860	2,030	1,489	4,245	4,986	12,660
July	404	27,044	1,393	1,852	886	3,571	5,344	14,031
Aug.	389	27,173	1,652	1,720	1,031	3,471	4,807	13,788
1960 -								
Mar.	333	33,245	1,278	1,099	1,783	5,059	4,305	7,675
Apr.	302	29,793	1,227	1,179	1,379	4,015	3,841	14,468
May	282	31,554	1,460	1,984	1,795	4,655	5,780	14,691
June	318	32,403	1,328	2,034	1,420	4,630	5,672	11,884
July	299	29,011	1,215	2,116	831	3,801	5,948	14,116
Aug.	361	31,443	1,372	2,011	828	4,048	6,411	11,644

Source : Division of Fuel, Department of National Development.

(a) State marketing area, which includes whole of Victoria, plus the Riverina district of N.S.W.

(b) Includes super and standard grades.

(c) Excludes bunker oil.

(d) Excludes refinery fuel.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

Period	Elec- tricity	Gas	Sul- phuric Acid	Super phos- phate	Brown Coal	Butter (b)	Meat (c)	Flour (Wheaten)
	mill. kWh.	mill. cu.ft.			'000 tons			'000 short tons
1950-51	2,876	11,446	242.0	615.1	7,300	57.98	258.0	448.8
1951-52	2,964	12,525	242.8	633.0	8,096	59.24	267.1	559.2
1952-53	3,193	13,136	220.4	571.3	8,075	57.32	294.7	591.4
1953-54	3,693	13,715	252.9	659.5	8,731	63.61	292.5	473.8
1954-55	4,151	14,290	275.1	722.9	9,668	79.51	320.4	452.5
1955-56	4,647	14,461	296.3	760.2	10,383	90.67	306.8	451.5
1956-57	4,991	15,746	269.2	642.9	10,772	88.60	311.4	450.8
1957-58	5,320	16,684	314.6	773.9	10,859	86.18	374.1	470.8
1958-59	5,640	17,306	308.5	775.2	12,337	88.13	405.9	436.8
1959-60	6,203	17,985	322.8	855.0	14,028	89.26	405.6	447.5
1958 -								
Mar.	418	1,247	29.5	70.7	889	5.44	31.33	33.4
Apr.	415	1,304	30.4	83.3	902	3.51	29.57	28.4
May	485	1,58	33.9	78.9	1,002	2.31	32.00	35.6
June	508	1,656	(d)	94.0	1,001	1.98	27.52	34.2
July	559	1,825	28.4	70.7	1,117	2.79	30.51	40.4
Aug.	519	1,724	29.5	67.5	1,060	5.36	25.95	42.1
1959 -								
Mar.	426	1,263	30.2	75.4	1,011	6.32	34.7	33.1
Apr.	461	1,342	34.5	99.0	1,024	4.87	31.96	35.2
May	528	1,626	30.2	74.7	1,130	3.22	33.34	37.8
June	556	1,752	26.4	74.2	1,188	2.34	32.43	39.2
July	603	1,886	21.3	55.4	1,262	3.15	32.97	39.7
Aug.	564	1,791	22.3	53.4	1,209	6.12	27.30	38.0
1960 -								
Mar.	495	1,241	31.1	94.4	1,168	5.50	35.28	33.9
Apr.	481	1,396	32.3	89.7	1,128	3.13	31.76	31.4
May	605	1,791	33.4	87.8	1,291	2.15	27.91	39.8
June	617	1,831	31.5	87.0	1,334	2.00	24.86	37.1
July	638	1,957	26.1	65.6	1,403	3.17	23.51	35.2
Aug.	653	1,913	25.2	71.9	1,423	6.87	23.73	40.4

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application to the Bureau.

(b) Factory production only.

(c) Bone-in weight.

(d) Not available for publication.

r : Revised.

NOTE : All figures from July, 1959 are subject to revision.

9.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

Period	Beer (b)	Clay Bricks	Roofing Tiles	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Sawn Native Timber	Electric Motors	Motor Bodies	Footwear (c)
	mill. galls.		mill.	'000 sq.yds.	mill. sup.ft.		No.	'000 prs.
1950-51	52.90	178.6	35.02	6,606	329.6	94,490	48,736	13,349
1951-52	56.17	185.2	35.63	7,317	348.5	113,610	49,667	12,443
1952-53	57.88	164.6	32.31	6,754	322.2	102,857	38,069	11,689
1953-54	63.63	198.5	32.65	6,665	339.0	160,219	63,019	13,873
1954-55	68.09	209.2	35.80	7,343	362.3	168,079	66,056	13,724
1955-56	71.59	225.5	39.36	8,069	351.3	175,313	83,213	14,379
1956-57	67.61	208.1	34.01	7,431	342.4	188,309	64,159	15,231
1957-58	69.34	236.4	34.55	7,621	346.4	213,046	90,495	16,199
1958-59	70.26	257.9	37.49	8,297	344.0	250,164	101,721	18,321
1959-60	74.15	286.0	36.91	8,116	347.8	293,114	132,060	20,864
1958 -								
Mar.	5.79	19.9	3.07	642	30.2	17,264	8,183	1,354
Apr.	5.53	19.6	2.93	658	27.7	18,621	7,450	1,435
May	5.23	23.4	3.37	695	32.2	17,522	8,521	1,532
June	4.79	20.6	3.18	663	30.4	16,393	7,729	1,435
July	5.08	22.7	3.37	764	32.4	22,424	8,380	1,519
Aug.	5.35	22.2	3.24	714	29.2	16,228	7,720	1,717
1959 -								
Mar.	5.78	20.9	2.87	665	28.3	21,669	8,908	1,502
Apr.	5.63	22.9	3.34	742	31.1	24,132	10,636	1,672
May	5.07	23.1	3.16	701	30.5	23,081	10,055	1,600
June	4.52	22.6	2.95	705	29.7	22,269	9,039	1,707
July	5.59	25.5	3.21	717	31.4	23,975	10,579	1,671
Aug.	5.58	23.0	3.17	701	29.0	22,243	10,168	1,834
1960 -								
Mar.	6.43	26.6	3.42	751	33.3	29,555	13,715	1,774
Apr.	5.94	22.7	2.99	637	25.9	26,294	10,842	1,632
May	4.57	26.0	3.47	711	31.6	26,091	13,781	1,919
June	4.53	25.2	3.51	711	31.2	27,932	13,203	1,968
July	5.66	26.0	3.52	708	30.0	24,966	13,294	1,728
Aug.	6.22	27.2	3.75	768	n.a.	28,963	14,643	2,045

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application to the Bureau.

(b) From 1956-57 onwards represents quantity produced (incl.waste) as recorded by Department of Customs and Excise.

(c) Excludes rubber.

n.a. : Not available.

NOTE : All figures from July, 1959 are subject to revision.

Period	Houses (Dwelling Units)				Flats (Dwelling Units)			
	Approved (a)	Com-menced	Com-pleted	Under Construc-tion (b)	Approved (a)	Com-menced	Com-pleted	Under Construc-tion (b)
1950-51	n.a.	26,949	21,194	27,308	n.a.	473	333	865
1951-52	n.a.	23,506	24,088	26,726	n.a.	432	416	881
1952-53	n.a.	16,254	21,284	21,675	n.a.	490	692	685
1953-54	20,963	20,915	21,593	20,995	872	739	689	735
1954-55	23,000	22,674	23,839	19,827	1,157	1,183	781	1,137
1955-56	21,801	21,245	22,652	18,399	776	715	1,273	579
1956-57	19,868	19,649	20,185	17,863	1,259	1,110	897	792
1957-58	22,719	21,933	21,367	18,429	1,380	1,283	1,104	971
1958-59	22,826	22,443	24,329	16,543	1,965	1,826	1,434	1,363
1959-60	24,585	23,201	24,157	15,587	4,480	3,521	2,062	2,822
1955 - Dec. Qr.	5,811	5,230	6,341	18,566	265	160	276	942
1956 - March Qr.	5,203	5,584	5,298	18,844	110	146	320	768
June Qr.	5,064	4,902	5,334	18,399	224	244	433	579
Sept. Qr.	4,743	4,843	5,470	17,772	228	121	174	526
Dec. Qr.	4,820	4,812	5,346	17,238	137	263	181	608
1957 - March Qr.	5,133	4,923	4,480	17,681	412	280	169	719
June Qr.	5,172	5,071	4,889	17,863	482	446	373	792
Sept. Qr.	5,583	5,153	4,813	18,203	380	327	306	813
Dec. Qr.	5,631	5,133	5,798	17,538	331	259	303	769
1958 - March Qr.	5,641	5,732	5,084	18,186	308	323	205	887
June Qr.	5,864	5,915	5,672	18,429	361	374	290	971
Sept. Qr.	6,382	6,089	6,022	18,496	453	355	364	962
Dec. Qr.	5,935	5,428	6,669	17,255	528	321	407	876
1959 - March Qr.	4,707	5,438	5,553	17,140	298	526	329	1,073
June Qr.	5,802	5,488	6,085	16,543	686	624	334	1,363
Sept. Qr.	6,077	5,558	5,856	16,245	806	542	415	1,490
Dec. Qr.	6,087	5,878	6,503	15,620	778	771	616	1,645
1960 - March Qr.	6,065	5,754	5,509	15,865	1,130	964	392	2,217
June Qr.	6,356	6,011	6,289	15,587	1,766	1,244	639	2,822
Sept. Qr.	6,058	5,911(c)	6,226(c)	15,272(c)	1,985	1,569(c)	917	3,474(c)

(a) Approvals comprise permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let or day labour work commenced by government authorities.

(b) At end of period.

(c) Preliminary estimate

n.a. : Not available.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS : VICTORIA
(£'000)

Period	Houses and Flats	Shops	Factories	Business Premises	Education	Health	Other	Total
COMMENCED								
1956-57	65,716	2,820	13,258	10,229	5,816	3,807	7,688	109,334
1957-58	75,620	3,661	16,013	10,893	4,207	5,320	6,419	122,133
1958-59	78,887	6,036	16,599	14,518	5,314	2,157	8,096	131,607
1959-60	90,865	6,495	19,270	17,319	8,990	2,325	8,340	153,604
1958 -								
Dec. Qr.	18,373	1,311	2,777	2,222	1,084	343	2,692	28,802
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,353	1,111	5,755	2,034	1,073	637	1,848	31,811
June Qr.	20,140	2,176	4,811	4,859	1,290	715	1,910	35,901
Sept. Qr.	20,456	2,482	4,624	4,529	2,292	969	2,240	37,592
Dec. Qr.	21,851	1,297	3,124	4,967	1,992	201	1,732	35,164
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	22,872	1,511	6,303	5,081	1,585	562	2,217	40,131
June Qr.	25,686	1,205	5,219	2,742	3,121	593	2,151	40,717
COMPLETED								
1956-57	68,111	3,364	17,416	9,787	4,826	3,385	7,941	114,830
1957-58	73,196	3,666	19,219	14,391	7,600	6,753	6,931	131,756
1958-59	84,772	4,761	16,096	13,920	4,495	3,993	9,400	137,437
1959-60	87,208	5,382	21,506	15,301	6,521	2,913	9,331	148,162
1958 -								
Dec. Qr.	23,148	1,576	3,777	6,347	1,009	1,692	2,091	39,640
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,377	1,104	3,670	1,736	1,633	666	2,589	30,775
June Qr.	21,231	1,011	4,948	4,015	1,246	777	2,830	36,058
Sept. Qr.	20,752	1,137	5,076	3,627	1,303	439	3,310	35,644
Dec. Qr.	23,422	1,474	6,031	3,978	789	1,503	2,934	40,131
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,952	1,118	5,860	4,026	2,094	601	1,372	35,023
June Qr.	23,082	1,653	4,539	3,670	2,335	370	1,715	37,364
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD								
1956-57	55,717	2,081	23,458	16,945	6,296	13,080	10,366	127,943
1957-58	59,871	2,114	21,147	13,798	3,126	12,597	10,097	122,750
1958-59	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
1959-60	60,859	4,649	19,935	16,864	6,706	10,740	8,020	127,773
1958 -								
Dec. Qr.	55,967	2,266	19,978	13,533	4,483	11,329	10,579	118,135
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	56,391	2,261	22,090	13,869	3,935	11,297	9,847	119,690
June Qr.	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
Sept. Qr.	55,682	4,834	21,580	15,610	5,099	11,810	7,878	122,493
Dec. Qr.	54,518	4,675	18,705	16,660	6,312	10,541	6,699	118,110
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	57,842	5,075	19,216	17,775	5,876	10,513	7,546	123,843
June Qr.	60,859	4,649	19,935	16,864	6,706	10,740	8,020	127,773

STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND (a) : VICTORIA

REVENUE

(£'000)

Item	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61 (Estimate)	July - September		
				1958-59	1959-60	1960-61
Taxation	30,504	37,994	40,258	6,656	7,467	8,976
Railways	38,142	39,032	41,062	9,208	9,450	10,117
State Coal Mine	409	362	373	83	77	92
Territorial	2,452	2,937	3,216	385	483	503
Interest	8,420	9,313	10,358	151	170	212
Commonwealth Grants -						
Financial Agreement	2,127	2,127	2,127	532	532	532
Tax Reimbursement	54,582	60,625	66,804	10,890	12,125	13,362
All Other Revenue	14,614	15,920	17,268	1,657	1,845	2,045
 TOTAL:	 151,250	 168,310	 181,466	 29,562	 32,149	 35,839

EXPENDITURE

(£'000)

Item	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61 (Estimate)	July - September		
				1958-59	1959-60	1960-61
Interest, Exchange, etc. (b)	21,532	24,362	26,685	3,321	4,458	4,709
Sinking Fund Contribution	4,689	5,300	5,783	1,179	1,284	1,912
Railways	36,426	37,663	38,977	9,384	9,382	9,823
State Coal Mine	648	592	622	125	114	106
Pensions, etc.	4,092	4,441	4,819	780	838	883
Law and Order	9,766	10,591	11,558	2,213	2,038	1,793
Education	31,037	35,308	39,760	6,524	7,212	9,132
Health	21,075	23,339	24,516	5,076	5,535	5,240
Other Social	2,847	3,296	3,643	503	439	582
All Other Expenditure	21,684	23,105	25,058	3,897	4,225	5,316
 TOTAL:	 153,796	 167,997	 181,421	 33,002	 35,525	 39,496

(a) Tables on this page have been prepared from information published in the Annual Budget Papers and from the monthly statements issued by the State Treasury.

(b) Excluding interest paid on loans received from the Commonwealth Government for Housing and Soldier Settlement. These amounts are included with "All Other Expenditure".

13.

MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE LODGED FOR REGISTRATION : VICTORIA
(Lodged under Transfer of Land Acts and Property Law Act)

Period	Mortgages of Real Estate					
	Under £5,000		£5,000 and Over		Total (a)	
	No.	Amount £'000	No.	Amount £'000	No.	Amount £'000
1956-57	31,655	56,592	1,563	22,967	33,218	79,559
1957-58	34,181	62,935	1,913	26,989	36,094	89,924
1958-59	37,471	73,285	2,460	32,375	39,931	105,660
1959-60	40,92	83,125	2,938	46,121	43,030	129,246
1959 -						
Mar.	2,734	5,333	173	2,372	2,907	7,705
Apr.	3,172	6,270	233	2,824	3,405	9,094
May	3,210	6,461	217	3,137	3,427	9,598
June	3,295	6,744	205	3,066	3,500	9,810
July	3,757	7,315	239	3,056	3,996	10,371
Aug.	3,265	6,581	226	3,435	3,491	10,016
1960 -						
Mar.	3,261	7,007	266	4,483	3,527	11,490
Apr.	3,184	6,886	190	2,493	3,374	9,379
May	4,238	9,024	349	6,936	4,587	15,960
June	4,159	8,836	313	4,579	4,472	13,415
July	3,853	8,296	324	7,401	4,177	15,697
Aug.	4,316	9,345	352	6,948	4,668	16,293

MORTGAGES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO TYPES OF MORTGAGES : VICTORIA
(£'000)

Period	Types of Mortgagors					
	Banks (a)	Co-operative Housing Societies	Insurance Companies	Commonwealth and State Government Institutions	Others	Total (a)
1956-57	8,371	8,671	16,061	11,447	35,009	79,559
1957-58	12,050	7,790	18,565	15,337	36,182	89,924
1958-59	17,210	8,063	16,636	12,603	51,148	105,660
1959-60	20,495	8,354	19,048	13,097	68,252	129,246
1959 -						
Mar.	1,218	576	1,057	966	3,888	7,705
Apr.	1,617	716	1,453	1,073	4,235	9,094
May	1,291	667	1,492	1,145	5,003	9,598
June	1,322	887	1,080	970	5,551	9,810
July	1,088	1,053	1,013	1,156	6,061	10,371
Aug.	1,244	774	1,173	1,104	5,721	10,016
1960 -						
Mar.	2,168	686	1,708	888	6,040	11,490
Apr.	2,026	475	1,020	1,384	4,474	9,379
May	2,709	752	2,874	1,613	8,012	15,960
June	2,390	763	1,550	1,156	7,556	13,415
July	2,285	743	3,113	892	8,664	15,697
Aug.	2,786	1,111	2,796	1,142	8,458	16,293

(a) Excluding mortgages to trading banks to secure overdrafts on current accounts.

Period	Deposits			Advances	Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total		
£'000					
1950-51	310,069	98,050	408,119	179,967	44.10
1951-52	329,228	94,332	423,560	228,971	54.06
1952-53	321,396	83,297	404,693	224,091	55.37
1953-54	353,742	90,784	444,526	218,046	49.05
1954-55	367,752	105,717	473,469	249,129	52.62
1955-56	370,587	104,128	474,715	262,672	55.33
1956-57	365,878	111,249	477,127	246,724	51.71
1957-58	375,730	128,772	504,502	251,302	49.81
1958-59	371,873	143,598	515,471	262,590	50.94
1959-60	396,556	151,256	547,812	268,836	49.07
1959-					
May	380,406	143,824	524,230	255,866	48.81
June	371,136	147,293	518,429	257,629	49.69
July	364,637	154,019	518,656	263,736	50.85
August	363,735	155,783	519,518	261,485	50.33
1960-					
May	406,573	149,275	555,848	291,071	52.37
June	405,217	156,441	561,658	293,542	52.26
July	390,869	162,123	552,992	312,908	56.58
August	386,684	160,825	547,509	316,959	57.89

(a) Banks specified in the Banking Act, 1959 (Banking Act 1945-53 prior to 14th January, 1960), and the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia.

CHEQUE PAYING BANKS (a) - DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS : VICTORIA
 (Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)
 (Weekly Averages £ million)

Period	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61
July	161.0	183.8	185.0	204.6	219.7	251.2	286.0
August	156.5	167.3	165.1	184.0	194.9	228.6	297.4
September	168.6	169.3	183.5	196.6	206.9	247.6	
October	178.0	183.8	192.3	210.5	224.4	262.7	
November	170.4	196.1	194.3	212.5	225.6	265.1	
December	184.4	205.2	202.8	242.8	253.4	298.0	
January	165.9	172.2	188.0	173.5	176.8	227.4	
February	188.8	184.0	206.2	201.9	244.6	260.8	
March	187.0	191.1	207.1	212.5	235.0	273.2	
April	174.6	190.2	210.4	216.5	223.0	266.2	
May	191.7	199.2	214.6	218.2	247.1	291.7	
June	182.3	181.0	201.7	216.9	240.1	292.5	

(a) Includes all cheque paying banks and, in addition, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments of the Commonwealth Bank, prior to 14th January, 1960).

SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS AND DEPOSITORS' BALANCES (a) : VICTORIA

15.

Period	Number of Operative Accounts- All Savings Banks (b)	Depositors' Balances				
		State Savings Bank	Commonwealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	All Savings Banks	Per Head of Population
	'000	£ '000				
1950-51	1,981	213,687	68,092	-	281,779	123.8
1951-52	2,038	224,347	76,485	-	300,832	128.3
1952-53	2,080	234,834	85,137	-	319,971	133.6
1953-54	2,119	245,607	94,174	-	339,781	138.6
1954-55	2,154	260,151	104,597	-	364,748	144.6
1955-56	2,234	264,317	110,215	11,644	386,176	148.2
1956-57	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	153.9
1957-58	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	158.2
1958-59	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	162.9
1959-60	2,692	298,107	131,243	70,242	499,592	173.7
1957 -						
Mar.	2,296	262,227	112,605	27,341	402,173	152.8
Apr.	2,301	260,645	111,853	28,087	400,585	152.2
May	2,310	261,233	111,962	29,592	402,787	153.0
June	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	153.9
July	2,319	265,735	114,712	32,417	412,864	155.2
Aug.	2,315	267,834	115,505	33,569	416,908	156.7
1958 -						
Mar.	2,394	265,900	115,906	40,921	422,727	157.1
Apr.	2,321	266,337	115,650	41,514	423,501	156.8
May	2,425	267,735	115,278	42,352	425,365	157.5
June	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	158.2
July	2,438	272,773	118,104	44,007	434,884	159.5
Aug.	2,444	273,989	118,528	44,627	437,144	160.3
1959 -						
Mar.	2,529	275,183	119,287	51,310	445,780	160.9
Apr.	2,541	273,809	119,044	52,035	444,888	160.6
May	2,554	275,095	119,182	53,334	447,611	161.5
June	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	162.9
July	2,561	282,179	123,039	56,186	461,404	165.0
Aug.	2,560	285,379	124,383	57,542	467,304	166.0
1960 -						
Mar.	2,655	290,621	128,225	66,916	485,762	171.6
Apr.	2,666	291,142	127,905	67,307	486,354	171.1
May	2,679	292,810	128,077	68,637	489,524	172.2
June	2,692	298,107	131,243	70,242	499,592	173.7
July	2,693	300,572	131,903	71,216	503,691	175.2
Aug.	2,692	302,724	132,743	72,401	507,868	175.6

(a) At end of period.

(b) Excluding school bank accounts.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed (c) (Per Cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period (£'000) (d)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
<u>MOTOR VEHICLES, TRACTORS, ETC.</u>						
1957-58	94,426	69,120	43,427	460	62.8)
1958-59	104,051	78,358	49,477	476	63.1)
1959-60	123,268	96,313	63,546	516	66.0)
1959 -)
Jan.	7,483	5,454	3,495	467	64.1)
Feb.	7,717	5,870	3,728	483	63.5)
Mar.	8,034	6,079	3,836	477	63.1)
Oct.	11,913	9,163	5,992	503	65.4)
Nov.	11,540	9,522	6,259	542	65.7)
Dec.	12,106	10,008	6,642	549	66.4)
1960 -)
Jan.	9,642	6,947	4,597	477	66.2)
Feb.	9,906	7,579	4,994	504	65.9)
Mar.	11,151	8,737	5,744	515	65.7)
Apr.	9,064	7,284	4,913	542	67.4)
May	9,795	7,779	5,208	532	66.9)
June	9,875	7,839	5,278	534	67.3)
<u>PLANT AND MACHINERY</u>						
1957-58	5,474	3,826	2,399	438	62.7)
1958-59	9,079	5,549	3,548	391	63.9)
1959-60	9,071	6,798	4,569	504	67.2)
1959 -)
Jan.	776	341	216	278	63.3)
Feb.	730	392	256	351	65.3)
Mar.	711	462	280	394	60.6)
Oct.	888	466	309	348	66.3)
Nov.	908	630	415	457	65.9)
Dec.	1,009	797	548	543	68.8)
1960 -)
Jan.	657	51	339	516	67.7)
Feb.	686	512	338	493	66.0)
Mar.	855	781	539	630	69.0)
Apr.	627	551	372	593	67.5)
May	698	522	354	507	67.8)
June	689	673	461	669	68.5)

(a) The statistics on this and the following page, relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves.

(b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

(d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

(e) Separate details are not available. See "Total (All Goods)" on page 17 for balances outstanding.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods(b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per Cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period (£'000)(d)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
<u>HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS</u>						
1957-58	197,535	26,341	21,438	109	81.4)
1958-59	183,455	22,902	18,747	102	81.9)
1959-60	179,766	20,085	16,476	92	82.0)
1959 -)
Jan.	14,870	1,735	1,421	96	81.9)
Feb.	13,870	1,691	1,378	99	81.5)
Mar.	12,575	1,473	1,201	96	81.5)
Oct.	16,123	1,738	1,427	89	82.1)
Nov.	16,373	1,686	1,381	84	81.9)
Dec.	19,031	1,981	1,610	85	81.3)
1960 -)
Jan.	r16,286	r 1,667	r 1,382	r 85	r 82.9)
Feb.	r14,276	r 1,567	r 1,290	r 90	r 82.3)
Mar.	r14,739	r 1,681	r 1,401	r 95	r 83.3)
Apr.	12,317	1,388	1,147	93	82.6)
May	14,965	1,761	1,454	97	82.6)
June	13,662	1,714	1,405	103	82.0)
<u>TOTAL (ALL GOODS)</u>						
1957-58	297,435	99,287	67,264	226	67.7	84,652
1958-59	296,585	106,809	71,772	242	67.2	100,193
1959-60	312,105	123,196	84,591	271	68.7	118,935
1959 -						
Jan.	23,129	7,530	5,132	222	68.2	97,257
Feb.	22,317	7,953	5,362	240	67.4	97,731
Mar.	21,320	8,014	5,317	249	66.3	98,035
Oct.	28,924	11,367	7,728	267	68.0	106,308
Nov.	28,821	11,838	8,055	279	68.0	109,352
Dec.	32,146	12,786	8,800	274	68.8	112,997
1960 -						
Jan.	r26,585	r 9,115	r 6,318	r 238	r 69.3	r114,250
Feb.	r24,868	r 9,658	r 6,622	r 266	r 68.6	r115,123
Mar.	r26,745	r11,199	r 7,584	r 287	r 68.6	r116,590
Apr.	22,008	9,223	6,432	292	69.7	117,106
May	25,450	10,062	7,016	276	69.7	118,044
June	24,226	10,226	7,144	295	69.9	118,935

r : Revised.

For other footnotes see page 16.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES BY COMMODITY GROUPS : VICTORIA
(£ million)

Period	Food-stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, and Foot- wear	Hard- ware (b)	Elec- trical Goods (c)	Other Goods (d)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (e)
1950-51	119.0	33.6	93.0	25.7	17.7	100.2	389.2	103.2
1951-52	145.7	41.9	99.7	29.4	21.8	116.2	454.7	117.0
1952-53	163.4	45.6	100.2	30.3	20.9	115.7	476.1	108.7
1953-54	173.3	50.1	112.5	33.1	23.9	121.6	514.5	124.5
1954-55	195.8	53.8	116.5	37.0	26.8	130.5	560.4	146.0
1955-56	212.2	59.0	121.8	39.1	30.0	144.9	607.0	164.3
1956-57	226.5	63.5	127.1	40.3	35.3	151.7	644.4	167.2
1957-58	231.1	65.7	133.8	41.4	43.1	154.8	669.9	187.9
1958-59	r246.9	r 68.2	r139.8	r 45.6	r 50.5	r161.8	r712.8	197.4
1959-60	260.9	71.0	151.1	47.0	50.6	176.4	757.0	231.7
1956 -								
June Qr.	53.1	13.9	32.6	9.2	6.8	34.7	150.3	40.5
Sept. Qr.	55.0	14.0	29.0	9.6	6.9	36.6	151.1	41.5
Dec. Qr.	59.6	17.7	37.2	11.2	11.1	43.3	180.1	43.8
1957 -								
March Qr.	56.2	16.6	27.3	9.7	8.0	35.5	153.3	39.1
June Qr.	55.7	15.2	33.6	9.8	9.3	36.3	159.9	42.8
Sept. Qr.	56.3	14.9	30.8	9.9	9.7	36.9	158.5	43.0
Dec. Qr.	59.7	18.0	38.7	11.9	12.0	44.8	185.1	49.9
1958 -								
March Qr.	56.9	17.1	28.5	10.0	10.5	36.2	159.2	46.6
June Qr.	58.2	15.7	35.8	9.6	10.9	36.9	167.1	48.4
Sept. Qr.	59.8	15.4	33.0	10.9	r 13.0	r 38.8	r170.9	r 47.8
Dec. Qr.	r 63.2	18.1	40.8	r 13.2	r 14.7	r 45.6	r195.6	r 52.7
1959 -								
March Qr.	r 61.7	18.4	r 29.0	r 10.6	r 11.3	r 37.3	r168.3	r 47.2
June Qr.	r 62.2	r 16.3	r 37.0	r 10.9	r 11.5	r 40.1	r178.0	r 49.7
Sept. Qr.	r 63.4	16.2	34.6	r 11.2	r 12.2	r 41.8	r179.4	r 54.4
Dec. Qr.	r 67.4	r 19.4	r 44.2	13.3	r 14.3	r 49.9	r208.5	r 63.2
1960 -								
March Qr.	r 63.4	18.4	r 31.2	r 11.3	r 11.8	r 41.3	r177.4	r 54.2
June Qr.	66.7	17.0	41.1	11.2	12.3	43.4	191.7	59.9

(a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.

(b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks).

(c) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc.

(d) Includes furniture, tobacco, newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc.

(e) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

r : Revised since previous issue.

NOTE : All figures from September, 1957 are subject to revision.

VALUE OF OVERSEA TRADE : VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA

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(£'000 f.o.b.)

Period	Victoria			Australia		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
1950-51	263,066	265,044	1,978	743,871	981,796	237,925
1951-52	363,193	185,994	- 177,199	1,053,423	675,008	- 378,415
1952-53	173,775	228,118	54,343	514,109	871,272	357,163
1953-54	237,683	203,581	- 34,102	681,609	828,332	146,723
1954-55	297,494	216,572	- 80,922	843,742	774,164	- 69,578
1955-56	299,340	209,396	- 89,944	821,088	781,864	- 39,224
1956-57	254,946	255,752	806	718,991	992,906	273,915
1957-58	282,713	218,373	- 64,340	791,940	817,946	26,006
1958-59	291,297	219,551	- 71,746	796,599	811,463	14,864
1959-60	340,112	244,057	- 96,055	927,305	937,660	10,355
1957 -						
Mar.	22,601	21,959	- 642	58,902	97,585	38,683
Apr.	20,932	25,478	4,546	60,994	88,922	27,928
May	23,197	24,172	975	69,378	91,945	22,567
June	22,172	20,232	- 1,940	55,881	79,707	23,826
July	25,437	15,605	- 9,832	71,006	72,608	1,602
Aug.	22,186	13,420	- 8,766	68,286r	60,555	- 7,731
1958 -						
Mar.	19,704	16,874	- 2,830	59,512	61,106	1,594
Apr.	25,015	15,140	- 9,875	67,308	53,014	- 14,294
May	25,638	20,708	- 4,930	66,726	64,513	- 2,213
June	23,151	15,966	- 7,185	63,474	54,615	- 8,859
July	21,949	16,256	- 5,693	64,228	61,547	- 2,681
Aug.	28,093	12,708	- 15,385	72,954	47,567	- 25,387
1959 -						
Mar.	19,334	18,622	- 712	58,868	66,509	7,641
Apr.	27,869	17,174	- 10,695	73,219	72,313	- 906
May	23,178	22,617	- 561	63,202	76,698	13,496
June	27,295	19,448	- 7,847	69,546	70,841	1,295
July	24,671	17,369	- 7,302	70,848	66,662	- 4,186
Aug.	26,663	14,855r	- 11,808r	70,933r	63,962r	- 6,971r
1960 -						
Mar.	31,488	24,550	- 6,938	88,288	88,139	- 149
Apr.	26,674	16,886	- 9,788	72,673	70,088	- 2,585
May	35,071	20,544	- 14,527	91,269	77,372	- 13,897
June	33,803	20,780	- 13,023	90,822	78,617	- 12,205
July	31,396	17,948r	- 13,448r	88,982	66,854r	- 22,128r
Aug.	38,675	11,941	- 26,734	103,868	66,410	- 37,458

r : Revised.

NOTE : Minus sign (-) indicates excess of imports.

All figures from July, 1959 are subject to revision.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS

(Excluding Electric Tramways and Road Motor Services under the Control of the Railways Commissioners)

Period	Traffic Train Mileage	No. of Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (Excl. Livestock)	Live-stock Carried	Earnings (a)	Working Expenses (b)	Excess of Earnings Over Working Expenses
		'000	'000	tons		£'000	
1950-51	14,575	141,313	7,043	496	18,651	20,811	- 2,160
1951-52	16,973	165,131	8,574	630	24,186	29,612	- 5,426
1952-53	17,690	162,857	8,580	612	31,864	34,008	- 2,144
1953-54	18,303	166,106	8,622	579	35,707	35,951	- 244
1954-55	18,740	169,204	9,508	575	37,667	37,032	635
1955-56	18,635	166,708	9,127	480	37,032	38,026	- 994
1956-57	18,544	167,405	8,935	445	37,352	39,118	- 1,766
1957-58	18,353	167,662	8,385	507	35,954	38,174	- 2,220
1958-59	18,426	163,483	8,840	455	37,907	38,123	- 216
1959-60	18,282	158,153	9,281	407	39,189	39,557	- 368
1957 -							
Mar.	1,580	14,073	779	35	3,170	3,290	- 120
Apr.	1,522	14,162	775	32	3,139	3,189	- 50
May	1,610	14,292	831	41	3,313	3,543	- 230
June	1,481	13,800	675	31	2,796	3,523	- 727
July	1,555	14,392	681	35	2,890	3,420	- 530
Aug.	1,552	13,475	689	31	2,896	3,366	- 470
1958 -							
Mar.	1,569	15,178	763	37	3,111	3,120	- 9
Apr.	1,520	13,654	740	34	2,940	3,057	- 117
May	1,576	14,301	782	29	3,087	3,253	- 166
June	1,439	14,773	693	31	2,890	3,022	- 132
July	1,546	13,626	750	35	2,979	3,346	- 367
Aug.	1,521	13,776	708	29	3,005	3,144	- 139
1959 -							
Mar.	1,585	14,575	765	35	3,240	3,158	82
Apr.	1,531	13,198	883	34	3,402	3,116	286
May	1,582	13,540	790	31	3,199	3,387	- 188
June	1,538	14,280	723	30	3,103	3,378	- 275
July	1,553	13,415	750	33	3,164	3,474	- 310
Aug.	1,510	14,457	670	32	3,071	3,247	- 176
1960 -							
Mar.	1,559	11,453	907	28	3,448	3,361	87
Apr.	1,432	9,972	792	20	3,112	3,638	- 526
May	1,466	15,016	858	24	3,438	3,541	- 103
June	1,442	11,322	880	19	3,273	3,206	67
July	1,411	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3,300	3,341	- 41
Aug.	1,491	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3,528	3,655	- 127

NOTE: Minus sign (-) denotes excess of working expenses over earnings.

(a) Excludes grants from consolidated revenue.

(b) Including cost of pensions and pay-roll tax.

n.a. : Not available.

CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT VICTORIAN PORTS
(¹'000 tons)

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Period	Cargo Discharged				Cargo Shipped			
	Oversea		Interstate		Oversea		Interstate	
	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment
1950-51	3,102	1,489	1,868	210	1,250	418	449	239
1951-52	3,093	1,725	2,128	243	1,040	372	444	297
1952-53	2,474	630	2,275	189	1,016	505	404	263
1953-54	2,871	943	2,216	344	856	493	462	423
1954-55	3,938	1,286	2,223	354	1,264	556	883	423
1955-56	4,679	1,306	2,469	369	1,359	550	1,193	372
1956-57	4,665	949	2,412	307	1,467	514	1,164	388
1957-58	4,810	1,032	2,505	339	1,093	541	1,371	365
1958-59	4,923	983	2,740	343	1,618	528	1,110	383
1959-60	5,392	1,228	2,528	491	1,504	533	1,370	537
1957 -								
Jan.	455	92	161	24	153	37	82	29
Feb.	359	47	155	26	144	22	135	27
Mar.	368	84	166	32	119	58	92	40
Apr.	340	75	178	28	113	59	84	36
May	525	75	190	27	112	58	143	39
June	312	67	186	16	102	42	50	31
1958 -								
Jan.	410	87	160	21	105	33	109	27
Feb.	384	74	165	35	45	26	111	25
Mar.	454	81	172	46	68	45	134	34
Apr.	402	81	212	26	87	48	107	28
May	423	95	202	48	98	74	97	31
June	361	99	242	29	98	60	139	27
1959 -								
Jan.	481	107	166	22	179	26	78	28
Feb.	292	55	205	24	204	22	89	30
Mar.	362	89	268	33	101	47	100	36
Apr.	407	70	227	37	158	55	95	30
May	344	84	266	27	119	61	101	36
June	454	79	310	23	154	49	71	32
1960 -								
Jan.	463	86	165	35	140	38	62	40
Feb.	398	138	184	38	162	31	118	48
Mar.	468	110	153	40	176	55	108	53
Apr.	542	90	172	39	142	43	120	40
May	441	111	193	44	113	62	106	46
June	481	122	240	57	95	40	137	45

REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities	Panel Vans	Other (b)	Total other than Motor Cycles	Motor Cycles
1951-52	40,144	966	9,296	2,260	8,323	60,989	n.a.
1952-53	26,377	397	6,618	1,146	3,694	38,232	1,205
1953-54	33,708	671	6,673	1,474	3,652	46,178	2,358
1954-55	46,728	800	8,553	2,586	4,768	63,435	2,363
1955-56	48,496	1,167	8,899	3,414	5,256	67,232	2,244
1956-57	42,701	1,161	7,386	3,001	4,319	58,568	1,963
1957-58	45,948	3,897	7,592	3,954	3,962	65,353	2,142
1958-59	45,058	7,868	7,114	5,201	4,421	69,662	2,280
1959-60	57,410	12,787	6,841	5,106	5,007	87,151	2,220
1957 -							
Apr.	3,618	89	936	165	331	5,139	148
May	3,611	159	726	205	345	5,046	147
June	3,684	189	748	292	339	5,252	152
July	3,358	208	558	294	315	4,733	145
Aug.	3,335	187	653	297	284	4,756	139
Sept.	3,651	198	569	278	278	4,974	158
1958 -							
Apr.	4,281	497	682	376	340	6,176	190
May	4,265	601	691	343	389	6,289	162
June	3,538	536	564	343	299	5,280	149
July	3,468	623	592	375	315	5,373	119
Aug.	3,557	600	527	356	324	5,364	160
Sept.	3,663	582	538	386	314	5,483	265
1959 -							
Apr.	3,922	770	589	492	367	6,140	180
May	3,467	688	567	482	386	5,590	205
June	4,132	902	753	527	481	6,795	176
July	3,964	796	647	491	365	6,263	146
Aug.	4,264	925	569	549	367	6,674	152
Sept.	4,363	1,055	512	606	387	6,923	168
1960 -							
Apr.	4,610	1,018	530	292	410	6,860	179
May	5,285	1,341	684	373	509	8,192	182
June	4,712	1,275	535	344	463	7,329	133
July	4,932	1,313	533	340	514	7,632	121
Aug.	5,705	1,411	641	408	541	8,706	148
Sept.	5,060	1,137	488	338	521	7,544	150

NOTE : Between 1st February, 1955 and 3 th June, 1959 figures include extra-metropolitan registrations for month prior to that indicated.

(a) Excludes defence service vehicles, but includes other Commonwealth-owned vehicles.

(b) Includes trucks, omnibuses, etc.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS : VICTORIA
ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES AS REPORTED BY THE POLICE

Period	City of Melbourne (a)			Metropolitan Area Excluding City of Melbourne		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1949-50	1,343	49	1,539	4,298	165	5,000
1950-51	1,253	54	1,392	4,523	222	5,191
1951-52	1,373	49	1,602	4,955	214	5,750
1952-53	1,310	42	1,525	4,740	173	5,579
1953-54	1,142	38	1,326	4,971	186	5,917
1954-55	1,108	38	1,282	5,110	203	6,035
1955-56	1,075	26	1,225	5,248	192	6,307
1956-57	1,074	25	1,287	5,398	205	6,621
1957-58	1,098	29	1,314	5,501	187	6,881
1958-59	1,021	41	1,229	6,967	240	8,799
1958 -						
March Qr.	264	6	327	1,374	43	1,717
June Qr.	280	7	330	1,445	47	1,782
Sept. Qr.	253	15	398	1,726	64	2,139
Dec. Qr.	240	5	293	1,736	55	2,170
1959 -						
March Qr.	263	11	318	1,629	42	2,148
June Qr.	265	10	320	1,876	79	2,342
Sept. Qr.	340	8	403	1,813	60	2,211
Dec. Qr.	284	5	350	1,786	64	2,311
Outside Metropolitan Area				Total - Victoria		
Period	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1949-50	2,977	287	3,999	8,618	501	10,538
1950-51	3,498	305	4,781	9,274	581	11,364
1951-52	3,783	340	5,179	10,111	603	12,531
1952-53	4,048	300	5,460	10,098	515	12,564
1953-54	4,424	345	6,108	10,537	569	13,351
1954-55	3,999	287	5,516	10,217	528	12,833
1955-56	4,283	364	5,951	10,606	582	13,483
1956-57	4,332	359	6,212	10,804	589	14,120
1957-58	4,634	355	6,820	11,233	571	15,015
1958-59	4,474	380	6,756	12,462	661	16,784
1958 -						
March Qr.	1,116	81	1,665	2,754	130	3,709
June Qr.	1,173	99	1,732	2,898	153	3,844
Sept. Qr.	1,097	85	1,641	3,076	164	4,078
Dec. Qr.	1,054	89	1,630	3,030	149	4,093
1959 -						
March Qr.	1,177	115	1,829	3,069	168	4,295
June Qr.	1,146	91	1,656	3,287	180	4,318
Sept. Qr.	991	74	1,415	3,144	142	4,029
Dec. Qr.	1,133	112	1,706	3,203	181	4,367

(a) Municipality of Melbourne.

LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA

NEW POLICIES ISSUED AND POLICIES MATURED OR OTHERWISE DISCONTINUED
(Excluding Annuities)

	New Policies Issued				Policies Matured Etc.(a)			
	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Ordinary Department		Industrial Department	
	Number	Sum Assured	Number	Sum Assured	Number	Sum Assured	Number	Sum Assured
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1950-51	79,383	57,935	81,840	8,645	34,032	16,868	66,807	4,642
1951-52	85,012	71,292	82,349	9,747	33,800	19,921	71,841	5,008
1952-53	82,749	67,812	82,851	10,306	35,506	22,069	78,999	5,752
1953-54	80,720	73,336	70,876	9,399	42,399	28,545	81,985	6,293
1954-55	75,958	90,370	62,569	9,145	42,950	28,729	85,495	6,621
1955-56	81,240	104,646	57,860	9,020	46,090	38,693	86,939	7,094
1956-57	80,963	124,034	57,358	9,009	48,526	35,968	85,866	7,510
1957-58	83,699	155,042	56,678	9,247	52,379	47,589	87,250	7,500
1958-59	87,351	163,523	52,053	9,007	53,009	52,115	83,752	7,868
1959-60	113,257	227,588	52,111	9,608	71,653	63,420	85,201	r 7,996
1957 -								
Feb.	5,075	10,368	4,437	678	3,462	2,919	6,124	567
Mar.	6,850	10,998	4,839	760	3,787	3,154	6,068	537
Apr.	6,861	9,420	5,629	862	3,944	3,072	6,245	561
May	7,081	11,318	5,465	844	4,343	3,457	8,220	704
June	7,530	10,714	4,757	785	3,925	3,241	8,286	690
July	8,357	18,660	6,158	979	5,056	4,118	8,952	721
1958 -								
Feb.	6,170	10,350	3,923	623	3,835	3,744	5,908	518
Mar.	7,182	11,537	4,607	751	4,224	4,005	6,487	573
Apr.	5,566	9,020	4,208	676	4,185	3,986	5,521	512
May	7,276	11,933	5,197	836	4,429	3,853	6,617	587
June	7,342	16,901	5,537	942	4,386	3,971	9,318	819
July	8,410	13,797	4,937	821	4,744	4,040	6,668	563
1959 -								
Feb.	5,528	9,055	3,906	647	3,899	4,004	5,127	529
Mar.	6,510	11,208	4,862	844	4,171	4,547	6,170	604
Apr.	7,808	13,639	4,691	808	4,584	4,570	6,162	561
May	8,343	15,671	4,721	823	4,556	4,536	6,724	669
June	8,789	15,213	5,016	909	5,877	5,652	8,836	850
July	8,478	17,960	4,278	760	5,094	4,615	7,444	673
1960 -								
Feb.	8,519	14,198	4,921	875	4,955	4,337	8,390	864
Mar.	10,752	16,734	4,826	860	5,840	4,983	5,557	515
Apr.	8,945	16,931	3,905	767	5,398	4,934	6,190	551
May	12,083	21,431	4,615	891	12,306	6,276	9,077	860
June	10,507	20,276	4,967	960	6,358	6,084	7,506	661
July	12,598	24,022	4,233	832	6,117	5,606	5,137	491

(a) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered, and policies discontinued for other causes.

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LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA
NEW LOANS GRANTED BY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES
(Excluding Advances of Premiums)
(£'000)

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Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	Other	Total
1950-51	13,187	763	1,111	15,061
1951-52	12,796	1,115	1,959	15,870
1952-53	6,362	1,108	1,427	8,897
1953-54	8,989	930	866	10,785
1954-55	12,781	1,108	674	14,563
1955-56	14,966	1,557	1,196	17,719
1956-57	15,859	1,690	1,997	19,546
1957-58	14,773	1,820	760	17,353
1958-59	16,525	2,189	622	19,336
1959-60	17,946	2,443	1,285	21,674
1957 -				
Feb.	736	113	21	870
Mar.	1,432	147	3	1,582
Apr.	972	125	207	1,304
May	1,224	156	15	1,395
June	1,005	146	42	1,193
July	1,350	154	11	1,515
1958 -				
Feb.	829	128	68	1,025
Mar.	1,146	181	67	1,394
Apr.	1,409	145	124	1,678
May	1,591	151	2	1,744
June	952	184	5	1,141
July	1,198	185	30	1,413
1959 -				
Feb.	1,123	152	43	1,318
Mar.	1,292	180	21	1,493
Apr.	1,760	208	69	2,037
May	1,585	217	129	1,931
June	1,268	223	106	1,597
July	1,080	222	282	1,584
1960 -				
Feb.	1,201	163	315	1,679
Mar.	1,566	244	94	1,904
Apr.	1,448	185	19	1,652
May	2,140	237	65	2,442
June	1,479	251	122	1,852
July	1,471	241	542	2,254

POST OFFICE REVENUE (a) : VICTORIA
(£'000)

Period	Commission on Money Orders and Poundage on Postal Notes	Telegraphs	Telephones	Postage, Private Boxes, Bags, etc.	Miscell- aneous	Total
1957-58	246.4	1,471.0	16,239.8	8,794.7	898.0	27,649.9
1958-59	255.4	1,538.7	17,539.8	9,327.1	1,001.1	29,662.1
1959-60	293.9	1,688.5	21,110.5	11,203.2	979.6	35,275.7
1958 -						
Aug.	21.2	111.3	1,444.7	720.4	51.8	2,349.4
Sept.	19.9	104.4	1,506.3	718.0	28.9	2,377.5
Oct.	22.5	136.2	1,617.2	859.8	106.5	2,742.2
1959 -						
Aug.	21.8	104.2	1,550.7	722.6	73.7	2,473.0
Sept.	21.8	185.8	1,374.6	738.4	80.5	2,401.1
Oct.	7.8	114.0	1,510.9	1,019.7	94.8	2,747.2
1960 -						
Aug.	25.6	150.1	2,192.2	998.4	104.7	3,471.0
Sept.	26.0	138.2	1,689.6	925.4	38.7	2,817.9
Oct.	25.6	123.4	1,923.9	970.1	97.2	3,140.2

(a) Excludes radio receipts.

POST OFFICE SERVICES : VICTORIA
('000)

Period	Gross Connections of Telephone Services			Television Viewers' Licences in Force (a)			Broadcast Listeners' Licences in Force (a)
	Metrop.	Country	Total	Metrop.	Country	Total	
1957-58	30.4	12.6	43.0	134.1	13.6	147.7	558.0
1958-59	30.7	14.1	44.8	241.8	28.3	270.1	605.3
1959-60	33.4	14.5	47.9	308.7	44.4	353.1	606.6
1958 -							
July	3.3	1.2	4.5	149.5	15.7	165.2	559.7
Aug.	2.8	1.1	3.9	161.6	16.1	177.7	562.2
Sept.	2.4	1.2	3.6	173.6	17.9	191.5	572.7
1959 -							
July	4.1	1.4	5.5	246.9	29.7	276.6	602.8
Aug.	2.9	1.2	4.1	253.1	31.1	284.2	600.2
Sept.	3.3	1.4	4.7	257.3	32.3	289.6	594.8
1960 -							
July	3.4	1.4	4.8	314.9	46.3	361.2	607.5
Aug.	3.3	1.7	5.0	322.3	47.9	370.2	612.0
Sept.	3.5	1.4	4.9	329.0	48.9	377.9	612.8

(a) At end of period.

RAINFALL IN DISTRICTS : VICTORIA
(Inches)

Period	Mallee	Wimmera	Western	Northern Country	North Central	Central	North East	Gipps-land
1911-40(a)	12.49	17.52	27.59	18.09	28.16	28.89	34.81	33.47
1952	15.22	21.87	39.30	21.85	35.56	40.66	46.21	48.71
1953	12.27	19.62	30.40	16.81	28.69	30.75	35.57	35.29
1954	13.41	17.68	25.92	21.22	29.88	30.93	35.58	34.02
1955	17.68	22.44	32.40	26.00	35.99	34.12	49.05	33.86
1956	20.85	24.31	34.02	31.45	41.17	34.29	55.59	44.25
1957	9.67	14.87	26.82	13.55	23.01	24.85	27.32	31.98
1958	15.45	17.65	29.05	21.40	31.57	28.99	37.78	35.42
1959	9.97	15.16	24.46	16.56	26.09	26.53	27.69	33.63
1911-40(b)								
Jan.	0.68	0.74	1.19	1.14	1.37	1.66	1.83	2.49
Feb.	1.12	1.14	1.57	1.27	1.73	1.87	2.01	2.33
March	0.65	0.79	1.59	1.16	1.72	2.22	2.22	2.68
April	0.82	1.18	2.15	1.33	2.12	2.41	2.48	2.74
May	1.23	1.77	2.69	1.68	2.58	2.41	3.05	2.65
June	1.32	1.97	2.89	2.16	3.18	2.67	4.26	3.05
July	1.23	1.97	2.91	1.85	3.02	2.47	3.82	2.86
Aug.	1.24	1.94	3.19	1.84	3.11	2.71	4.3	2.90
Sept.	0.27	2.00	2.97	1.82	2.83	2.78	3.27	2.93
Oct.	1.22	1.51	2.50	1.65	2.52	2.90	3.20	3.25
Nov.	0.86	1.22	2.11	1.13	1.94	2.43	2.23	2.74
Dec.	1.95	1.29	1.83	1.26	2.04	2.36	2.41	2.85
1958 -								
Nov.	2.12	1.40	2.33	2.29	3.06	2.86	2.55	2.89
Dec.	0.42	0.32	0.88	0.63	1.08	1.91	1.30	3.21
1959 -								
Jan.	1.24	1.03	1.43	0.91	0.97	0.67	0.78	0.90
Feb.	0.81	1.54	2.15	1.19	2.23	1.85	2.68	1.97
March	0.81	1.84	2.73	2.60	3.42	3.33	2.83	2.72
April	0.45	0.86	1.19	1.28	0.91	0.79	3.15	1.64
May	0.44	0.60	0.79	0.52	0.85	1.30	0.77	1.27
June	0.30	0.71	1.84	1.39	2.65	2.28	2.38	4.10
July	0.39	0.63	2.11	0.66	1.93	1.85	1.39	2.54
Aug.	1.02	2.41	3.37	1.40	2.95	2.74	3.58	3.27
Sept.	0.98	1.39	2.20	1.71	3.56	4.32	3.75	5.96
Oct.	2.60	1.67	2.04	2.91	2.42	2.87	3.28	3.56
Nov.	0.32	0.79	0.94	0.56	1.77	1.59	1.54	2.36
Dec.	0.61	1.69	3.67	1.43	2.43	2.94	1.56	3.34
1960 -								
Jan.	2.08	1.26	1.44	1.69	1.56	1.55	2.72	1.24
Feb.	1.44	1.69	2.92	1.08	1.80	2.09	1.11	1.64
March	0.63	1.19	1.65	0.52	0.66	0.64	1.01	1.16
April	1.18	2.31	4.49	1.62	4.40	5.65	3.48	3.16
May	2.74	4.41	4.86	4.04	6.76	5.57	7.96	6.78
June	0.95	1.44	2.30	0.99	2.43	1.61	1.87	3.55
July	2.04	1.83	4.17	2.59	4.66	3.99	5.64	4.24
Aug.	1.55	2.25	3.21	2.00	3.31	2.83	3.54	2.41
Sept.	2.50	3.75	4.49	4.06	5.70	4.02	5.16	4.02
Oct.	0.26	0.85	2.01	0.67	1.36	1.57	1.85	2.36

(a) Average rainfall per year over a standard 30 years' period.

(b) Average rainfall per month over a standard 30 years' period.

SALES OF WOOL AT AUCTION : VICTORIA

Period	Wool Sold			Amount Realized				Average Price of Greasy Wool at Auction in Victoria (including Albury)	
	Greasy and Scoured			Melbourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat	Total		
	Melbourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat						
	'000 bales			£'000				pence per lb.	
1950-51	570.8	279.6	126.9	103,025	55,495	21,347	179,867	150.74	
1951-52	576.6	308.6	114.3	46,987	28,194	8,960	84,141	68.65	
1952-53	626.2	335.6	131.4	59,334	35,857	11,659	106,850	79.10	
1953-54	577.1	306.8	124.0	55,438	32,946	11,370	99,754	82.24	
1954-55	617.2	359.3	135.5	53,895	34,137	11,233	99,265	73.37	
1955-56	669.5	382.7	142.7	50,538	30,877	10,139	91,554	62.22	
1956-57	761.6	442.6	157.2	72,751	45,761	13,890	132,402	79.87	
1957-58	679.9	448.5	123.7	51,648	36,649	9,226	97,523	63.82	
1958-59	738.9	437.9	148.7	44,970	28,010	8,947	81,927	49.89	
1959-60	784.2	480.7	151.1	56,685	37,603	10,868	105,156	60.11	
1959-60									
July-Sep.	107.9	43.5	26.5	8,261	3,231	1,950	13,442	60.44	
1960-61									
July-Sep.	132.8	0.1	23.5	8,047	1,436	..	9,483	47.59	
1959 -									
July	0.2	(a)	..	8	2	..	10	35.51	
Aug.	50.9	..	..	3,929	..	..	3,929	60.91
Sept.	56.8	43.5	26.5	4,324	3,229	1,950	9,503	60.27	
Oct.	122.1	51.3	..	9,020	4,262	..	13,282	61.89	
Nov.	65.6	51.1	27.6	4,873	4,226	2,045	11,144	62.88	
Dec.	65.9	51.5	25.7	4,949	4,260	1,960	11,169	63.17	
1960 -									
Jan.	67.7	48.8	24.4	5,072	3,998	1,796	10,866	62.61	
Feb.	79.1	96.0	20.4	5,773	7,565	1,425	14,763	61.49	
Mar.	117.9	47.8	..	8,653	3,733	..	12,386	60.67	
Apr.	0.5	..	20.5	24	..	1,376	1,400	55.27	
May	89.5	81.4	..	5,882	5,834	..	11,716	55.34	
June	68.0	9.3	6.0	4,178	494	316	4,988	47.94	
July	7.6	0.1	..	433	3	..	436	45.56	
Aug.	38.8	..	..	2,296	..	..	2,296	45.44
Sept.	86.4	..	23.5	5,318	1,433	..	6,751	48.50	

(a) Less than half the final digit shown.

Source : National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.